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Youth Linked To RFK Death Found Hanged

JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — A 17-year-old who was arrested because he had a letter containing statements about the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, D-N.Y., was found hanged in a psychiatric ward cell, police said today.

Jesus Chacon, Juarez judicial police chief, said the body of Crispin Curiel Gonzalez was found Thursday in the cell at a Juarez hospital. The report said the body was hanging from a rope made of strips of cloth torn from the mattress in the cell.

Gonzalez had been taken to the hospital for psychiatric observation under an order from Mexican federal Dist. Atty. Noberto Salinas.

Salinas said the youth was arrested June 17 after a letter or manuscript fell from

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his pocket at a concession stand in Juarez. The paper included writings to the effect that the youth had prior knowledge of the slaying of Sen. Kennedy in Los Angeles.

At the hospital, attendants said that for several days the youth had been singing and shouting from his cell that he was going to become more famous and receive more newspaper publicity.